Five Year Plan. The budget allocation for the two Programmes are given below:—

1	1987-88	1988-89
	{Rs. in lakhs)	
Cancer Control rrogrfmme . .	500	400
Mental Health Programme	2	20

(d) and (e) The budget provision made under Cancer Control Programme is mainly utilised for giving assistance to 9 Regional Cancer Centres assistance to Indian Cancer Scciry. Dombuy for a project undertaken by that Sociey and for giving assistance @ Rs. 12.00 lakhs to the institutions for setting up of Cobalt therapy units.

During the yea$_r$ 1987-88 a sum of Rs. 1.50 lakhs was released to the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences Banglore under the Mental Health, Programme for coordination work; assistance to Schizophernia Research Foundation Task force; etc.

List of Essential Drugs

533. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Ministe, of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the anwer to Unstarred Question 2629 given in the Rajya Sabha ^{on} 17th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Diazepam, Largecrl, Oxazepam, Mellaril and other similar drugs are extensively used for mental diseases;

(b) whether it is a fact the growth rate of these drugs in between 8 per cent to 14 per cent per annum;

(c) what are the names and designa tion of experts who declared Diazepam and similar other drugs as non-essential;

(d) whether these were experts from his Ministry or from outside institutions and what institute each of them represent-ed;

(e) what are the 'basis on which these drugs 'nave been treated as non-essential;

(f) whether his Ministry has drawn up a list of essential drugs; and

(g) if so, who drew the list and what are the names of those drugs?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRl MOTI LAL VORA1: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such infoimation is available with the Ministry o'f Health and Family Welfare.

(c) to (e) on the basis of representations received. Ministry of Health & F.W. in consultation with the Directo, General of Health Services recommended to the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals to consider exclusion of Diazepam and other tranquillizers from Category II of the Drug Prices Control Order, 1987

Cf) and (g) Government has not pie-pared any National list of essential drugs. However, the list of drugs considered to be essential fo$_r$ Primary Health Centres and sub-centres is under revision.

Supply of Anti T.B. Drugs to States

534. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to - efer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4083 eiven in the Rajya Sabha on 31st August, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the basis and rational be- •hind purchasing anti-TB drugs and then supplv'ng them to the states and what are other National Programmes for which medicines are procure^ and supplied to the states;

(b) whether it is a fact that the purchases of anti-TB medicines is the largest and the purpose of Central purchases of these medicines is the money pay offs whicii these purchases involve;

(c) what is the rate at which Rifampicin capsules we-e procured during 1987-88 and 1988-89 and the extent of purchase from each company;